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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) (MTC) 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Description</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| 6          | <b>State, Local and Transit Elements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Modifies or adds various projects from various funding programs in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, Santa Clara, San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano, and Sonoma counties. The Amendment includes projects with funding from the Surface Transportation Program (STP), the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP), Transportation Development Act (TDA), Federal Discretionary Programs and various Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Programs. See enclosure.</li></ul> |

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP Amendment No. 6 for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The updated programming has been found by MTC not to require a conformity analysis because the projects included in this amendment have either been included in the most recent regional emission analysis with no significant changes to the design concept, scope or implementation schedule, or are exempt from conformity determination requirements. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not

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significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects will be uploaded into the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS) shortly.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The MTC prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment. This FTIP Amendment has completed the Association of Bay Area Governments Intergovernmental Review (IGR) process (documentation enclosed).

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Nicholas", is written over the printed name and title.

JIM NICHOLAS

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

c: Steven Barhite - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)  
Steve Heminger – Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Raymond Odunlami - Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans